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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request HQ-2019-00942-F

Dear Ms. Best:

This is a final response from the Department of Energy (DOE), Office of Inspector General (OIG) to your request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552. You requested a list of closed investigations by the Department of Energy's Office of Inspector General for the 2018 calendar year.

The OIG has completed the search and review of its files and identified one document responsive to your request. A review of this document and a determination concerning its release has been made pursuant to the FOIA. Based on this review, the OIG determined that certain material should be withheld pursuant to subsections (b)(6) and b(7)(C) of the FOIA, hereafter referred to as Exemptions 6 and 7(C), respectively.

Exemption 6 protects from disclosure "personnel and medical and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. . . ." Exemption 7(C) provides that "records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes" may be withheld from disclosure, but only to the extent the production of such documents "could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. . . ."

Names and information that would tend to disclose the identity of certain individuals have been withheld pursuant to Exemptions 6 and 7(C). Individuals involved in the OIG enforcement matters, which in this case include subjects, witnesses, sources of information, and other individuals, are entitled to privacy protections so that they will be free from harassment, intimidation and other personal intrusions.

In invoking Exemptions 6 and 7(C), we have determined that it is not in the public interest to release the withheld material. In this request, we have determined that the public interest in the identity of individuals who appear in these files does not outweigh these individuals' privacy interests. Those interests include being free from intrusions into their professional and private lives.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV 2010). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

To the extent permitted by law, the DOE, in accordance with Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.), Section 1004.1, will make available records it is authorized to withhold pursuant to the FOIA unless it determines such disclosure is not in the public interest. As required, all releasable information has been segregated from the material that is withheld and is provided to you. See 10 C.F.R. § 1004.7(b)(3).

This decision may be appealed within 90 calendar days from your receipt of this letter pursuant to 10 C.F.R. 1004.8. Appeals should be addressed to the Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals, HG-1 /L'Enfant Plaza Building, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585-1615 or by email to [OHA.filings@hq.doe.gov](mailto:OHA.filings@hq.doe.gov), including the phrase "Freedom of Information Appeal" in the subject line.

Thereafter, judicial review will be available to you in the Federal district court either 1) in the district where you reside; 2) where you have your principal place of business; 3) where the Department's records are situated, or 4) in the District of Columbia.

If you have any questions about the processing of your request, you may contact our FOIA Public Liaison, Mr. Alexander Morris, by phone at (202) 586-5955 or by email at [Alexander.Morris@hq.doe.gov](mailto:Alexander.Morris@hq.doe.gov), to discuss any aspect of your request. Please know that you also have the right to seek dispute resolution services from the FOIA Public Liaison or the Office of Government Information Services, <https://ogis.archives.gov>, via telephone (202) 741-5770 // (877) 684-6448 (toll free), by fax: (202) 741-5769 or email [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov).

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

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<b>Cases Closed Final Status</b>		
<b>February 5, 2019</b>		
<b>Number</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Date Closed</b>
<b>18-0011-I</b>	Alleged Anti-Deficiency Act Violations and Mismanagement; Office of Energy	01/09/18
<b>16-0083-I</b>	Eltron Research & Development; Overcharges and False Claims; NETL; Pittsburgh,	01/10/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) <b>18-0001-W</b>	[REDACTED]; Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory	01/12/18
<b>14-0008-I</b>	ILLINOIS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (IIT); FC-FS GRANTS; CHICAGO, IL	01/12/18
<b>17-0089-I</b>	Contract Irregularities; PNNL	01/17/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) <b>17-0015-I</b>	[REDACTED]; Attempted TGP; NNSA Production Office, Pantex	01/24/18
<b>16-0119-I</b>	Proactive initiative; Lost or Stolen Apple devices; MA	01/24/18
<b>17-0024-I</b>	Stevens Center Management, Inc.; Excessive Remodeling Costs; ORP Conference Rooms	01/30/18
<b>13-0078-I</b>	PROTECH; ENVIRONMENTAL VIOLATIONS; VONORE, TN	02/01/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) <b>17-0074-I</b>	[REDACTED]; Theft of Government Property; BPA	02/02/18
<b>14-0028-I</b>	NLIGHT PHOTONICS; FALSE CLAIMS; SBIR PROGRAM	02/02/18
<b>17-0072-I</b>	Improper Disclosure of Information; EERE	02/02/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) <b>18-0002-W</b>	[REDACTED]; Management Irregularity and Alleged Retaliation; LLNL	02/06/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) <b>16-0026-I</b>	[REDACTED] Child Pornography; Hanford	02/07/18
<b>17-0086-I</b>	DOE IP and VPN Data Analysis	02/07/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) <b>16-0113-I</b>	[REDACTED]; Theft of Government Property; Los Alamos National Laboratory	02/09/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) <b>15-0092-I</b>	ARRA; [REDACTED]; Allegation of Grant Irregularities; EE	02/15/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) <b>16-0069-I</b>	[REDACTED] Child Solicitation; Hanford	02/20/18
<b>02-0096-I</b>	P-CARD THEFT BY PNNL EMPLOYEE [REDACTED]	02/20/18 (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
<b>18-0003-W</b>	Discrimination and Retaliation / WRPS	02/21/18
<b>18-0029-I</b>	Pleasant Solutions	02/23/18
<b>17-0031-I</b>	Unknown; Theft of Government Funds; PNNL	03/07/18

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	<b>15-0083-I</b>	EYASU and Crown Technical Systems; Procurement Integrity Act Violation & Contractor Irregularities; WAPA	03/12/18
	<b>16-0045-I</b>	TCS Building Trust; FC-FS; ANL	03/12/18
	<b>18-0004-W</b>	Retaliation; Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory	03/22/18
	<b>17-0043-I</b>	SOAR, WAI, SODI; Theft, Conspiracy to Defraud, and Bid Rigging; Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant	03/26/18
	<b>18-0005-W</b>	Harassment; Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory	03/26/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>16-0128-I</b>	[REDACTED]; Alleged Conflict of Interest; Building Technologies office; EERE	04/02/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>16-0001-I</b>	[REDACTED]; Theft of Govt Property; Los Alamos National Laboratory	04/02/18
	<b>13-0122-I</b>	Unknown; Network Intrusion; HQ CFO MIS	04/04/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>16-0102-I</b>	Powdermet; [REDACTED] SBIR/STTR Fraud; Euclid, OH	04/06/18
	<b>15-0081-I</b>	Marcon Excavating; Contract Irregularities; Los Alamos National Laboratory	04/06/18
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)	<b>16-0112-I</b>	[REDACTED]; Theft of Govt Property; NNSA OST	04/10/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>16-0018-I</b>	[REDACTED] Impersonating a Federal Official (IN)	04/20/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>18-0008-W</b>	[REDACTED] LANL, Retaliation	04/30/18
	<b>12-0006-I</b>	STOLAR RESEARCH CORP; FC-FS - COOP AGREEMENTS; NETL	05/02/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>15-0066-I</b>	[REDACTED]; Theft of Government Property; ANL	05/16/18
	<b>18-0010-I</b>	Unknown; Network Intrusion: Brookhaven National Laboratory (BNL)	05/24/18
	<b>17-0096-I</b>	Unknown; Fraudulent Requests for Quotes, HQ	05/29/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>15-0127-I</b>	[REDACTED] Misuse of Position for Personal Gain; National Security Technologies (NSTec)	06/06/18
	<b>16-0087-I</b>	Proactive; ActioNet Contract; Germantown, MD	06/07/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>14-0103-I</b>	[REDACTED] GPC Fraud/Public Corruption; WAPA	06/07/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>09-0026-I</b>	[REDACTED] FC-FS T&A-TRAVEL FRAUD; NREL	06/07/18
	<b>13-0048-I</b>	LOS ALAMOS NATIONAL SECURITY; FALSE CLAIMS QUI TAM; LANL	06/08/18
	<b>15-0082-I</b>	Unknown Subjects; Wire Fraud; INL	07/06/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>18-0009-I</b>	[REDACTED]; Harassment; Y-12 Complex	07/11/18

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	17-0051-I	PHD Scientist [REDACTED] Timecard Fraud and Grant Project Irregularities; Battelle at PNNL	07/19/18
	13-0103-I	WRPS; FALSE CLAIMS, EMERGENCY CALL IN OVERTIME	08/01/18
	13-0100-I	BECHTEL NATIONAL, INC.; CIVIL FALSE CLAIMS; WTP HANFORD	08/01/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	18-0058-I	[REDACTED] Unauthorized Use of Government Networks/Computers; Idaho National Laboratory	08/02/18
	18-0024-I	Restoration Services, Inc; Contract Fraud; EM	08/06/18
	18-0012-W	Carnegie Institution of Washington; Retaliation; Argonne National Laboratory and Washington, DC	08/13/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	18-0011-W	[REDACTED] Alleged Retaliation; Lawrence Livermore National Security LLC	08/13/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	17-0001-W	[REDACTED]; Alleged Whistleblower Retaliation; Batelle, Richland, WA.	08/17/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	18-0013-W	[REDACTED] Alleged Retaliation; LLNL	08/20/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	16-0065-I	[REDACTED]; Employee Misconduct; FERC	08/20/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	16-0133-I	[REDACTED] Unlawful Activity; SC	08/21/18
	14-0064-I	H2 Technologies Group; False Claims; Nevada	08/23/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	18-0028-I	[REDACTED] Death Threats; Paducah KY	08/23/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	16-0085-I	[REDACTED] Government Property Irregularities; Office of International Affairs	08/29/18
	16-0063-I	Advanced Thermal Technologies; SBIR Fraud; MA	09/05/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	18-0069-I	[REDACTED] Child Pornography; WAPA	09/05/18
	17-0023-I	Amethyst Research, Inc.: SBIR Fraud (Office of Science)	09/05/18
	12-0037-I	COMMUNITY RENEWAL TEAM, INC; FALSE CLAIMS; EE	09/06/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	18-0019-I	[REDACTED] et al Qui Tam (SEALED)	09/07/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	18-0071-I	[REDACTED] Computer Crimes; SRR	09/07/18
	16-0092-I	Subject Unknown; Fraudulent Purchase Order; NSTec	09/12/18
	16-0047-I	Ceramatec; Public Corruption & Theft of Federal Funds; DOE	09/13/18
	16-0124-I	MSA; False Claims; Hanford Site	09/14/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	17-0055-I	[REDACTED] Timecard Fraud; INL	09/20/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	13-0044-I	[REDACTED] TGP; INL	09/20/18



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	<b>17-0028-I</b>	EnergySource: Theft of Intellectual Property/Grant Fraud; EERE	09/24/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>17-0091-I</b>	[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Theft; ETTP; Oak Ridge, TN	09/27/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>18-0027-I</b>	Ethic Concerns [REDACTED] HC	09/28/18
	<b>12-0144-I</b>	ENER1; SECURITIES FRAUD AND MONEY LAUNDERING; NETL	09/28/18
	<b>16-0120-I</b>	Dynasil and Radiation Monitoring Devices, Inc; Qui Tam; Massachusetts	09/28/18
	<b>16-0100-I</b>	Misappropriation of Grant Funds; Town of Oyster Bay, NY	09/28/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>15-0030-I</b>	[REDACTED]; False Claims/False Statements; ORAU, Oak Ridge, TN	09/28/18
	<b>17-0009-I</b>	JSC TVEL JOINT VENTURE; Possible 10 CFR 810 Violations; NNSA	10/04/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>12-0009-I</b>	[REDACTED] - [REDACTED] - OTHERS; T&A-TRAVEL FRAUD; NNSA OST	10/10/18
	<b>19-0001-W</b>	Discrimination, Retaliation and Security Infractions; LLNL	10/11/18
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)	<b>19-0002-W</b>	[REDACTED] and National Security Technologies, LLC; Mismanagement, OSHA Violations, Discrimination, and Retaliation; Nevada National Security Site	10/12/18
	<b>19-0009-I</b>	Unknown; Cyber Extortion; Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory	10/18/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>16-0110-I</b>	[REDACTED]; GPC Fraud/Public Corruption; WAPA	10/23/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>15-0007-I</b>	[REDACTED] Theft of Government Property; Kansas City Plant	10/25/18
	<b>19-0003-W</b>	REM Engineering; Harassment and Retaliation; National Energy Technology	11/09/18
	<b>18-0061-I</b>	Regional Coalition of LANL Communities; Lobbying; LANL - NM	11/09/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>18-0038-I</b>	Alleged Sexual Assault; [REDACTED] (SES); WAPA	11/16/18
	<b>13-0003-I</b>	SCIENCE & ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES INC; FS/FC; Various DOE-NNSA Sites	11/20/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>17-0079-I</b>	[REDACTED] Ethics Violation ; SRS; Aiken, SC	11/26/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>19-0004-W</b>	[REDACTED]; Bullying/Hostile Work Environment and Retaliation; Office of International Affairs	11/26/18
	<b>19-0005-W</b>	Alleged Retaliation; Washington River Protection Solutions; Hanford	11/27/18
	<b>19-0013-I</b>	False Statements and Classified Material Leak / Four Rivers Nuclear Partnership, LLC / Paducah, KY	11/27/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>17-0002-W</b>	[REDACTED] [REDACTED]; Alleged Retaliation; STTR/SBIR	11/30/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>18-0057-I</b>	[REDACTED] False Claims (Vendor Fraud); NREL	12/03/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<b>15-0018-I</b>	[REDACTED] Misuse of Position and Nepotism; CIO	12/10/18

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<b>13-0013-I</b>	TEXAS A&M UNIV RESEARCH FOUNDATION; FC-FS ARRA QUI TAM; COLLEGE STATION, TX	12/13/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) <b>19-0006-W</b>	[REDACTED]; Alleged Retaliation; LANL	12/14/18
<b>19-0008-W</b>	Carl's Services, Inc, Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant; Retaliation	12/17/18
<b>19-0007-W</b>	Hostile Work Environment and Retaliation; Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant	12/17/18
<b>11-0087-I</b>	ADVANCED SCIENCE AND NOVEL TECHNOLOGY; SBIR FRAUD; DOE	12/19/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) <b>15-0104-I</b>	[REDACTED] Importation of Controlled Substance; ANL	12/20/18
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) <b>13-0058-I</b>	[REDACTED] KICKBACKS; LIVERMORE LAB	12/21/18